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LETTER DATED 25 JANUARY 1993 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF ANGOLA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to transmit the letter of His Excellency President Jose Eduardo dos Santos requesting that an urgent meeting of the United Nations Security Council be convened.

(Signed) Afonso VAN-DUNEM "MBINDA"
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

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Annex

Letter dated 24 January 1993 from the President of the Republic of Angola addressed to the Secretary-General

It is with profound indignation that I hereby inform Your Excellency that the South African Army has been involved in military action against the Angolan people and their elected government, together with the UNITA forces, in flagrant violation of the New York Accords of 22 December 1988. At the same time, Zairean soldiers and mercenaries from different nationalities are combating alongside UNITA against the government forces, thus creating a new and dangerous side to the conflict, characterized by significant acts of aggression by outside forces, which can have unforeseeable consequences and threaten the peace and stability in the central and southern regions of Africa.

Several soldiers of Zairean nationality were killed and a South African aircraft used for logistical support was shot down during the fighting.

Concerned about the gravity of this intolerable, and in the light of the United Nations Charter, the Government of the Republic of Angola being a full member of the United Nations, I request that Your Excellency urgently convene the Security Council, to discuss such situation and take appropriate measures to restore peace and stability.

I would appreciate your having this letter circulated as a document of the United Nations.

(Signed) Jose EDUARDO DOS SANTOS
President of the Republic of Angola